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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claims 22-24 are objected to because of the following informalities: they recite dependency to a method claim, but also to claim 15, an apparatus claim.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 3. Claims 6-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over JONSSON (US 5746120) in view of CHERNEY ET AL (US 5485712).

JONSSON discloses a method and apparatus for binding wire (12) around an object (13). A feed wheel (22), powered by a servomotor (24), feeds the wire along a wire guide rail (14). The guide is closed during feed and opened thereafter. The wire is knotted by tying member (15). The wire is fed first forward and then reversed, with position of the end of the wire being monitored. (See JONSSON column 2 line 49 to column 3 line 38 and Figure 1.)

JONSSON does not specifically disclose a separate measuring device for the wire.

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CHERNEY ET AL discloses a wrapping machine and method in which a length of wrapper (W) is fed over a continuously operating measuring unit (21) which is connected to a monitor (37) and servomotor (23).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the invention of JONSSON by adding a measuring roll and sensor, as taught by CHERNEY ET AL, for the binding wire in order to more accurately determine the amount of binding material needed and used.

Reference Citations

- 4. The following prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to Applicant's disclosure:
- RODRIGUEZ ET AL discloses a binding machine in which wire is fed and then reversed.
- O'SULLIVAN discloses a binding machine in which wire is fed and then reversed.
- CHAK ET AL discloses a binding machine with a wire guide that is opened or closed as needed.
- GURAK ET AL discloses a binding machine with a wire guide that is opened or closed as needed.
- URBAN ET AL discloses a binding machine with a wire guide that is opened or closed as needed.

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Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Paradiso. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday, 9:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. (ET).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rinaldi Rada, can be reached at the number listed below.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the 3700 Technology Center receptionist.

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